An amendment to the specification is provided below.

Please change the title from LOCKING COMPRESSION PLATE APPARATUS to LOCKING COMPRESSION PLATE <u>ANASTOMOSIS</u> APPARATUS.

Amendments to the drawings are provided in the enclosed Replacement Sheet, for sheet 9/36. Also enclosed is an Annotated Sheet Showing Changes to sheet 9/36. An explanation of the changes made are presented below in the Remarks section.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.